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PATHWAYS TRANSITIONS

By Rev. Sarah Kim, Th.D.



Transitions are an inevitable aspect of life, and they bring mixed feelings in letting go of what has been, in the anticipation of what is to come. I am most grateful for having had the opportunity to serve our conference with Rev. Kathy Clark in light of her exceptional leadership and most kind personality. I'm saddened to see her go, but I'm ecstatic to see her venturing into a new world of ministry and leadership in the national UCC setting, which is not so far from where we are.

With this transition, I have taken the executive position in leading PATHWAYS Theological Education. PATHWAYS, stemming from the success of our own home-grown Theology Among the People (TAP) program, owes much to Rev. Clark's efforts in developing an excellent theological educational program for both lay and authorized leaders in the Southeast Conference. Though PATHWAYS is in its fledgling stages of



Conference. Though PATHWAYS is in its fledgling stages of development, our partners—Lancaster Seminary and the Center for Progressive Renewal—along with the support of the Southeast Conference Board and PATHWAYS Advisory Committee, are working diligently to provide an affordable and accessible theological education for all interested participants seeking personal growth, spiritual formation, and preparation for lay and authorized leadership in the parish.

I'm happy to announce that starting August 1, 2012, Ms. Laura Arnold will serve as part-time support staff as the new Associate Minister for Theological Education. Originally from central Illinois, Ms. Arnold is a graduate of Candler School of Theology (2010) with a concentration in spiritual formation and

religious education. She has a passion for parish and educational ministry, and expresses enthusiasm for joining the staff of PATHWAYS ministry, which she sees as "living out the commitment that theological education is not merely an information gathering process but rather a transformative path upon which the future of our Church stands."

Thank you for your continued prayer and support for the ministries of the Southeast Conference.

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